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# REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

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Application Number	09/724,284
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Examiner Name	Raymond W. Addie
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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

## 1. Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114

- a. ☐ Previously submitted
- i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR 1.116 previously filed on APR 26 2004  
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on GROUP 3600
- iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☒ Other Petition for Three-Month Extension

## 2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

## 3. Fees

The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 19-0450
- i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e) - \$770.00
- ii. ☒ Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17) - \$950.00
- iii. ☒ Other - Additional Claims Fee - \$ 36.00
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FILED: NOVEMBER 28, 2000  
TITLE: MODULAR BARRIER

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO THE SECOND FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Sir:

In reply to the (second) final Office Action, dated October 20, 2003 (Request for Continued Examination ("RCE")), pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.114; Petition for a Three-Month Extension of time, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a); and the additional claims fee of \$36.00 for the pendency of two claims beyond those covered by the original filing fee; total requisite fees of \$1,756.00 (large entity) being enclosed), please amend the above-identified patent application as indicated on the following pages:

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